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Mayor McFarland is guest in January 'Adventures in Murphry's Burrow'

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - Murfreesboro Mayor Shane McFarland shares all the exciting things happening in the growing City of Murfreesboro in this month's episode of 'Adventures in Murphry's Burrow.' It's a brand-new year. Time for hot chocolate, fire in the fireplace, a sweater to stay cozy and starting the year off right. Mayor McFarland says, "It's really easy to get excited when you live in such a great city."

The January 2019 episode of "Adventures in Murphry's Burrow" is available for viewing on YouTube at https://youtu.be/AzCMKf3CBQ8.

The January episode of "Adventures in Murphry's Burrow" features the Mayor's list of exciting things happening in Murfreesboro in 2019:

- The **New Year's Day 5K** started the year off right as 400 runners took to the Greenway, including the Mayor and his 6-year-old son, Andrew.
- Murph's Fun Run, a 1-mile run, walk, or hop, is planned again in late summer.
- A new Mountain Bike Trail is under construction at Barfield Park where residents can ride bikes in the woods for free.
- Baseball, golf, soccer and other Sports' Sign-ups are kicking into gear. Call 615-907-2251 for more information.
- The new Salem Elementary School on the west side of the City is under construction and slated for opening at the end of 2019.
- The new Fire Station #4 on Medical Center Parkway is nearly complete and will open in February. Another station is planned near Blackman High School at Fortress Ave. and Blaze Dr.
- Murph visits the Nashville Zoo at Grasmere and talks to zookeeper Melissa Fox about the Giant Anteater.
- Plus, a science experiment with rock salt and ice.

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Mayor McFarland also reminds viewers about the "Better Boro Project," initiated four years ago by the mayor to get residents active and moving with walking, hiking, bird watching and other exercise activities on the Greenway. McFarland responds to a question from Murph about how to become mayor? McFarland explains, "Surround yourself with people who make you better. It's everyone—teachers, police officers and firefighters—working hard every day to make Murfreesboro a great place to live."

Murph is an inquisitive rabbit who visits unique and interesting people and places in Murfreesboro and interviews guests that visit his burrow. When you're with Murph in the Burrow, its one big adventure after another.

You can also watch "Adventures in Murphry's Burrow" anytime online on the City's website at www.murfreesborotn.gov/murph or watch CityTV (AT&T Uverse Channel 99/Comcast Xfinity in Murfreesboro on Channel 3 and 1094, Roku, Apple TV via Cablecast Screenweave app and YoutTube) Sun., Mon., Wed., Sat. at 9:00 a.m.; Monday – Friday at 3:30 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Past episodes can be viewed at our YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/cityofmurfreesboro.

"Adventures in Murphry's Burrow" is created by producer-writer Nancy Phillips. The program is directed and edited by CityTV's John Padgett in the City of Murfreesboro Communications Department.

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